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## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WAKEFIELD'S GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT?

November 22, 1976 7:30 p.m. Room 143

Our meeting will be very informal and casual. Coffee and tea will be served during the entire meeting. When you come, bring a friend.

PROGRAM OUTLINE: Miss Wilson, Chairman of the Guidance Department, and the five counselors will tell parents about a counselor's typical day, and discuss some of the specific programs, opportunities, and assistance available through the Guidance Department.

Counselors: Mr. James Gibson
Mr. Maynard Haithcock
Mr. Ron Hurley
Mr. Richard Rife
Mr. Frank Washington
Miss Evelyn Wilson, Chairman

Question and Answer Time: Parent participation

Pencil and paper provided for write-in questions.

PARENTS NEED TO KNOW:

What are the duties of counselors?

Are they bogged down with "odd" jobs which hinder them from devoting more time to personal contacts with students?

Do counselors help students with teacher conflicts?

To what extent do counselors help the student with course choice?

What kinds of services do we want counselors to provide?

How does the new county emphasis on Career Education affect the roll of the counselor?

We have a dedicated Guidance Department. Come and learn more about the opportunities available to students and parents.

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## STUDENT INFORMATION CENTER

The Guidance Department of Wakefield High School set up a Student Information Center last year in Room 160, adjacent to the Media Center. In it can be found information on career opportunities, colleges, scholarships, ROTC and other military programs, and study opportunities in foreign countries. Brochures, pamphlets on special programs available in schools and colleges and several guides such as Occupational Outlook Hand Book, Lovejoy's Career and Vocational School Guide and Barron's Profiles of American Colleges also are available for use in the center.

The Student Information Center is open only one hour a day now because no one is available tosupervise the room. It could be kept open all day however, if enough parents would volunteer to stay in the room a few hours each week so students could walk in anytime and browse through the material. Please contact Nancy Koditek ( 671-7156) or Rhea Dola (920-5144) if you would be able to help.

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A very special thanks to all the lovely ladies who contributed food and their time to help make our College Day a success. Many compliments came from the College Representatives - and we want you to know your efforts were appreciated. In addition to members of the Executive Board and Committee Chairmen, those contributing refreshments were: Rosetta Elliott, Mary Dabinet, Barbara Ellis, Mabel Summers, Bonnie Byram and Kim Rachmeler.

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## BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

The Booster Club is dedicated to the support of all activities at Wakefield High. All students and parents are invited to meet the third Wednesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in Room 101.

Wakefield Booster Club Schedule of coming events:

Nov. 23: Fall Awards Banquet at 7:00 p.m. Pot Luck Dinner in school cafeteria.

Dec. 11: Pancake breakfast and Yard Sale.

### 1976 - 77 BOOSTER CLUB OFFICERS

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| President | Mr. Owen Knox | 521-1391 |
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### Ninth Grade Move Being Considered

Should the ninth grade be moved to the senior high schools or remain in the junior high schools?

That's a question now being considered by parents, students and staff of the Arlington Public Schools. Various citizen and staff committees have studied a possible reorganization of schools since 1970 and have stated the advantages of moving the ninth grade into the high schools.

Those favoring the move have said that senior high schools including ninth grade could offer a better array of courses for students and better arrange the academic sequences leading to graduation and that the junior high schools also would be able to improve programs for seventh and eighth graders. Questions raised about the move included doubts that ninth graders would be mature enough to cope with older students and the high school envirement.

On October 15, a study group, consisting of students, citizens and staff, submitted their recommendations to the schools' superintendent Larry Cuban, who will make his recommendation by Nov. 30 to the School Board.

The School Board will hold a public hearing on the possible change on Dec. 9 and will decide at its regular meeting scheduled for Dec. 15.

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### BILINGUAL VOLUNTEERS

The Arlington County Council of P.T.A.'s is anxious to help people living in Arlington who have trouble understanding English. We are compiling a list of biligual volunteers. If you are willing to help, please complete the following information and return to Wakefield High School. Thank You.

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